December 9, 1948.

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Dear Bernie,

I was very pleased to hear that our Flying Dutchmen had finally found a haven. Unless the editor has some specific suggestions, I can see no reason for revising our Letter.

I am disposed to accept the Fiats of editors, be they JEC or JACS. I have no quarrel with the JEC, nor any strong feelings about what the JACS would like to do in a footnote, as long as it is clear who is saying what. If there is reason to believe that the JEC's decisions lack integrity, I want to hear the evidence; on the other hand, the only way to "punish" a journal is to submit your nanuscripts elsewhere. I don't understand your sentence "The window-dressing for the proposition would be some concern on my part over the question of international priority."

Your plan re reprints seems to be satisfactory, although I would like to have 300 rather than \$.600 or 250; I'll have to see the bill before I can take out a definite order, but at worst, it can't possibly come to more than I could make up out of pocket if I had to. But don't shanege your order.

Now that the politics are taken care of, what's new in science?

Sincerely.

Joshua Lederberg

Communications to the Editor Method of Counting

Maximum Number of Words - 500

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Text

- a. Each complete word or number as one word.
- b. As one word hyphenated words, numbers with units, person's complete name.

e.g. 5 grams, 5 cc., or H, 5.06%; empirical formulas
e.g. $^{C}_{31}^{H_{48}^{O}}_{6}$

c. Literature citations as in text, i.e,

"(1) R. E. Smith and John Jones, This Journal, 65,444 (1948)"

would be counted as nine words. (R. E. Smith and John Jones
would both be counted as one word).

Tables

- a. Each word of title as one word.
- b. Each word of column heads as one word.
- Each entry in table as one word.
 Tables of Single-Column Width.

Pigures and Structural Formulas

a. Number of printed lines they will occupy and multiply by the average number of words (9) in a single line of text.

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Title of Communication.

Authors' names.

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"Sir".

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